

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 853

January Session, 2009

LCO No. 2986

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Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by: (HS)

AN ACT LIMITING LIABILITY FOR HOMEMAKERS AND COMPANIONS WHO TRANSPORT HOME CARE RECIPIENTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2009) In the event of a motor
- 2 vehicle accident that occurs while an employee of a homemaker-
- 3 companion agency, registered pursuant to section 20-671 of the general
- 4 statutes, is providing an authorized transportation service to a client of
- 5 such homemaker companion agency, the liability of the employee shall
- 6 be limited to the coverage provided under the insurance policy of (1)
- 7 the driver, (2) the owner of the vehicle, and (3) the homemaker-
- 8 companion agency. This limitation on liability does not apply to (A)
- 9 any accident or injury that was caused intentionally or caused by the
- 10 employee's gross negligence or by the employee's operation of the
- 11 motor vehicle while under the influence of, or impaired by,
- 12 intoxicating liquor or drugs, or (B) any service for which the operator
- of the vehicle receives direct reimbursement from the client.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

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Statement of Purpose:

To limit liability of homemaker companion agency employees in motor vehicle accidents.

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